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GERMAN PLANS FOR DANISH AGRICULTURE (19 Aug 1940)

The pre-war Danish import of 700,000 tons of grain and 900,000 tons of fodder annually are now impossible. Danish agriculture is converting accordingly: the cultivation of grain and hoed vegetables (cabbage, turnips, potatoes, etc.) will be increased, while meat, egg, and butter production will be reduced. The new annual export figures will be:

Pork	heretofore	180,000 tons	henceforth	40,000 tons
Butter	"	150,000 "	"	50,000 "
Eggs	"	100 million eggs	"	21 million eggs

The livestock inventories will have to be reduced:

Swine (for butchering)	from 4	million head	to 2	million head
Cattle	"	3.3 million head	to 2.7	million head
Chickens	"	13 million head	to 7	million head

The export of agricultural products, nearly all of which formerly went to England, will be exported to Germany, and paid for at higher prices than England paid, in order to pay for the cost of conversion of agriculture.

The supply of bread grain is sufficient for the population. Due to the shortage of motor transport, horses are used extensively; increased horse-breeding and the purchase of horses from neighboring countries are the measures to be taken.

Fishing in the Esbjerg area is completely at a standstill, because for the military reasons the fishermen are not permitted to go to the main catching areas. At present, several thousand fishermen are unemployed in this area.

At Hirtshals, on the other hand, fishing production is way up, as part of the Jutland (Jylland) fishing fleet is based in this port.

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DANISH FOOD EXPORTS TO GERMANY DURING THE PERIOD**1 OCTOBER 1942-31 MARCH 1943**

During the above six-month period, 28,500 tons of meat, 9,600 tons of butter, 2,900 tons of eggs (48 million eggs), 11,000 work horses, and 26,000 tons of fish and herring were exported from Denmark to Germany. Besides these items, many other agricultural products such as milk products (canned milk, baby food), vegetables, seeds, etc., have been shipped to the Reich.

An additional 5,200 tons of butter were shipped to Finland and Norway.

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INVENTORY OF DANISH LIVESTOCK (3 April 1943)

Swine	13 Feb 43	1,721,000	through addition of fattened swine
	27 Mar 43	1,574,000	
Cattle	1 Feb 43	2,760,000	through addition of cows and calves
	27 Mar 43	2,824,000	
Horses	11 Jun 42	535,000	this figure does not include new
	27 Mar 43	545,000	births of foals, which vary from
			40,000 to 50,000 per year; the
			number of horses therefore remains
			the same.
Chickens	21 Mar 42	5,908,000	
	27 Mar 43	6,418,000	

In the month of March 1943, 2,797,646.48 Danish kroner's worth of Danish food production was taken for the German troops in Denmark and 4,881,594.27 kroner's worth for the German troops in Norway; in April 1943, 3,044,777.72 kroner's worth went to the German troops in Denmark and 4,480,268.30 kroner's worth to the German troops in Norway.

11,056 tons of fish were shipped from Denmark to Germany in the month of May.

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DANISH FOOD EXPORTS TO REICH AND OTHER COUNTRIES FOR 1942/43 PERIOD

Meat	64,221 tons	
Butter	15,711 "	
Eggs	3,380 "	
Fish	89,549 "	
Cheese	3,773 "	
Fruit	1,512 "	
Grain sowing seed	6,000 "	
Vegetable seed		1,000,000 Danish kroner
Canned milk		1,300,000 Danish kroner
Horses and foals		27,000 head

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DANISH FOOD SUPPLIED TO THE OCCUPATION TROOPS IN DENMARK (1942/43)

Meat	4,029 tons
Butter	1,175 "
Eggs	197 "
Cheese	487 "
Fruit	417 "
Fish	1,951 "
Milk	4,457 "
Flour	10,793 "
Bread	2,209 "
Sugar	1,157 "
Prepared cereals	2,483 "
Vegetables	9,448 "
Potatoes	29,113 "
Vinegar	38 "

This does not include any purchases less than 200 Danish kroner of unrationed foods, purchases under 75 kilograms made by men on furlough and civilian personnel attached to military units on furlough, and all PX-purchases of non-rationed goods.

DANISH FOOD SUPPLIED TO THE OCCUPATION TROOPS IN NORWAY (1942/43)

Meat	8,750 tons
Eggs	23 "
Butter	4,614 "
Cheese	240 "
Fruit	871 "
Straw	10,951 "

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Horned livestock numbered 3.03 million head, an increase of 7 per cent over the previous year. The total now equals the 1941 inventory.

The number of hens increased by 2.5 million since last year, and now totals 8.9 million. The number of roosters decreased by 55 per cent during the same period.

IMPORTANCE OF DANISH FOOD SUPPLY TO GERMANY

With its deliveries of 145,000-150,000 tons of meat, Denmark provides 90,000,000 Germans with meat rations for 6-7 weeks. Danish butter production provides them with butter rations for 4-5 weeks. Danish fish shipments are "the backbone of the fresh fish supply of the German big cities."

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